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Attorney Docket No.	02581-P0045A
First Named Inventor	Hubert Manhes
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This is a request for a (Continued Prosecution Application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/214,875 filed January 14, 1999, entitled **Trocar Sleeve For Endoscopic Applications**.

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATION: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b) and filed on or after June 8, 1995, or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371 and filed on or after June 8, 1995.

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning the other application or applications in the file jacket.

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment after Final previously filed on December 2, 1999.
Under 37 CFR 1.116 (Amendment After Final Rejection) in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. ☐ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
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 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed
 - a. ☐ PTO-1449
 - b. ☐ copies of IDS Citations

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	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 16(c))	8 - 20 =	0	x \$18 =	
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(B))	1 - 3 =	0	x 78 =	
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable)(37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$260 =	
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$690.00
	Total of above Calculations =				
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).					
TOTAL =					\$690.00

6. Small entity status:

- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ is no longer claimed.

7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 19-4516:

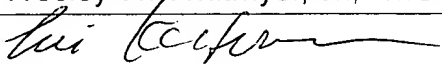
- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (national filing).
- b. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17 (patent processing).
- c. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18 (patent issue).

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*The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA
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Small Entity payments must be supported by a small entity statement, otherwise large entity fees must be paid. See Forms PTO/SB/09-12.

Complete if Known

Application No.	09/214,875
Filing Date	January 14, 1999
First Named Inventor	Hubert MAHNES
Group Art Unit	3731
Examiner Name	William W. Lewis
Attorney Docket Number	02581-P0045A WWW/YK

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT \$690.00**METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)**

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	690	201	340	Utility filing fee	\$690.00
106	310	206	155	Design filing fee	
107	480	207	240	Plant filing fee	
108	760	208	380	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					\$690.00

2. EXTRA CLAIMS FEES

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	78	202	39	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	260	204	130	Multiple dependent claims	
108	78	208	39	Reissue independent claims Over original patent	
110	18	210	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 And over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)					(\$) - 0 -

FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing for or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing or cover Sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840	113	1,840	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner Action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	380	216	190	Extension for reply within second month	
117	870	217	435	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,360	218	680	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,850	228	925	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	300	219	150	Notice of Appeal	
120	300	220	150	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	260	221	130	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,210	241	605	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,210	242	605	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	430	243	215	Design issue fee	
144	580	244	290	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	240	126	240	Submission of Informational Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per Property (times number of properties)	
146	790	246	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	279	249	395	For each additional invention to be Examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
Other fee (specify) _____					
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SUBTOTAL (3)					(\$) - 0 -

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SUBMITTED BY St. Onge Steward Johnston & Reens LLC**Complete (if applicable)**

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